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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE ANTI- AMERICAN DEMONSTRATIONS MAY 15

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1. REPORT CONTAINED REFTTEL DOUBTLESS STEMS FROM RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED HERE SEVERAL WEEKS AGO (AND REPORTED OUR 5036) BY SECRETARIAT OF SO- CALLED " ARAB FRONT FOR PARTICIPATION IN PALESTINIAN REVOLUTION" DECLARING MAY 15 " PALESTINE PARTITION DAY" AS " DAY OF SUPPORT FOR PALESTINIAN PEOPLE" AND URGING THAT ANTI- US DEMONSTRATIONS BE STAGED ON THAT DAY THROUGHOUT ARAB WORLD. FRONT HAS CONSIDERABLE BACKING FROM PRO FEDAYEEN, " PROGRESSIVE" ELEMENTS IN MANY ARAB COUNTRIES, AND ITS APPEALS, MADE IN CONTEXT OF " BIG- LIE" CAMPAIGN MOUNTED BY FEDAYEEN IN AFTERMATH OF APRIL 10 ISRAELI RAID ON BEIRUT, MAY HAVE RECEIVED CONSIDERABLE CIRCULATION IN EGYPT AND ELSEWHERE.

2. IT MAY WELL BE THAT FEDAYEEN SUPPORTERS IN ARAB WORLD, INCLUDING EGYPT, ARE SO PRE OCCUPIED WITH TENSE AND UNCERTAIN SITUATION NOW PREVAILING IN

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LEBANON THAT THEY WILL LET MAY 15 PASS WITHOUT REACTING
TO FRONTS APPEALS. WE HAVE HEARD NOTHING MORE HERE ABOUT
PLANNED DEMONSTRATIONS.
DECONTROL MAY 14, 1974.
HOUGHTON

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